

LABRANCHE & CO INC
Form 8-K
November 19, 2003

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) **November 18, 2003**

LaBRANCHE & CO INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-15251
(Commission
File Number)

13-4064735
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

One Exchange Plaza, New York, New York, 10006
(Address of principal executive offices)

10006
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(212) 425-1144**

Not Applicable

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

(a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired.

None.

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information.

None.

(c) Exhibits

None

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On November 18, 2003, Michael LaBranche, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of LaBranche & Co Inc., in an interview with Bloomberg.com, communicated the following information:

LaBranche & Co. LLC, LaBranche & Co Inc.'s specialist subsidiary, had approximately \$476 million in net liquid assets as of October 31, 2003;

LaBranche & Co Inc. currently has slightly more than \$50 million in cash, and

LaBranche & Co. LLC has an unused \$200 million line of credit from Bank of New York that was recently extended one year on unchanged terms.

This information was provided by Mr. LaBranche in response to questions from Bloomberg.com regarding a rating report relating to LaBranche & Co Inc. recently issued by a Jefferies & Company analyst.

All other Items of this report are inapplicable.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

LaBranche & Co Inc.

Date: November 18, 2003

By: /s/ Harvey S. Traison
Name: Harvey S. Traison
Title: Senior Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer